

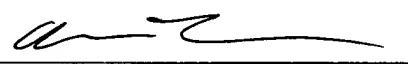
REMARKS

Applicants have canceled claims 13-20, which were withdrawn by the Examiner. The remaining claims, 1-3, 6-10, 12 and 21, have been allowed by the Examiner. Accordingly, applicants solicit a Notice of Allowance.

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